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LOAD DISTRIBUTION ON A WIDE AREA

NETWORK

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Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive an Office Action from the Patent and Trademark Office in response to the Request for Continued Examination filed on March 2, 2006.

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